

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:11
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2005
EXPERT COMMITTEE REPORT FOR COAL SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received the recommendations of the Expert Committee Report on energy for coal sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Expert Committee has recommended infrastructure status for coal industry;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the action plan formulated by the Government in this regard;
- (f) whether the system of coal linkage is proposed to be abolished; and
- (g) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) to (e): Do not arise.

(f) & (g): During mid-term appraisal, the Planning Commission had recommended that the system of linkages may be ended. This recommendation, along with other recommendations, is under examination in the Energy Policy Committee. However, no) decision has been taken by the Government so far.